

**Canton Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2026 6:00p.m.**

Canton Borough Council held a regular meeting on Monday, June 8, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the John A Mosser Canton Borough Municipal Building, 4 North Center St, Canton. Council Members in attendance were Michael Shultz, Deanna Watkins, Jeff Cole, Eric Anderson, George Jennings Joy Williams, Mayor Shawn Packard, David Wilson. Absent were David Atherton-Ely, Solicitor Cassie Blaney, Zoning Officer Leighanne Ellingham and Chief Strozyk.

Visitors: Trent Wright, James Heft, Micah Baker, Liz Burgess, Walter Woods(refused to sign)

President Michael Shultz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

Visitor Comments:

Walter Woods mentioned that he had a couple complaints about the traffic light not working correctly and Dave Wilson said it will be working as it should in a couple of weeks.

Trent Wright is from Prysmian, a cable manufacturing company in Williamsport, PA. Looking to see if he can recruit people from the area to join their team, potential hires can apply on their website and he also presented pamphlets to put in the lobby.

Minutes:

Mr. Jennings moved and Mr. Anderson seconded accepting the minutes from the May 11, 2026 regular council meeting. Roll call: All in attendance said "Aye"

Bills:

Withheld due to the reports not being done yet

Treasurer/Secretary

Jessica presented the council the current interest rates for the 2 CD's that are maturing at FCCB. Jeff Cole made a motion to approve 12-month renewal for the CD that has matured, Deanna seconded. Discussion to wait on the second one that is coming up to see what the financial accounts have in them.

Roll call-All in attendance said "Aye"

Vote to remove O. Emerick from all accounts. All in attendance said "Aye" Jeff Cole made motion and George Jennings seconded. Roll call- All in attendance said "Aye"

Committee Appointments:

Fire Representative: Mr. Shultz discussed that when Mr. Koval left he left some committee spots, Mr. Anderson will be taking over Mr. Kovals spot on this committee

Recreation: Mr. Shultz said Eric will be the Chair on the recreation committee to fulfill Mr. Kovals spot.

Personnel Policy Committee- Mr. Shultz asked the committee to review documents and make sure they are updated. Deanna will take the chair on the personnel policy committee. Mr. Shultz asked the committee to meet when they can and when ready bring recommendations to the council to get the policies updated.

Police Report:

Chief Strozyk left his report with Mrs. Williams and she passed this out to everyone and said he didn't have anything new to report. Mr. Shultz asked for the police committee to meet. Mr. Packard discussed that he issued a general order of the police department regarding ongoing complaints about parking, especially parking against oncoming traffic, Mr. Packard stated that he has noticed that people are starting to voluntarily comply. Mr. Packard also stated that Mr. Pries has been doing a great job sitting on Troy St, his presence has people slowing down coming into town. Speed sign is supposed to be moved around every 2 weeks.

Street:

Mrs. Williams mentioned the painted lines in town look nice
Monday morning yard waste picked up
Monday the comfort station cleaned
Ran street sweeper in town
Washed streets and sidewalks in town
Painted lines in town
Mowed fire station and shop several times
Took delivery of Flexamat
Thursday cleaning of comfort stations
Work in Pit
Equipment maintenance

Sidewalk damage- Mr. Cole stated he got some numbers and it's just a matter of getting this done. Mr. Wilson state that there is no labor on the homeowner's part, she is only paying for materials. Mr. Cole discussed that with the time it has taken it's best not to charge labor. Eric discussed that we should have a fee schedule for future things like this. Mr. Wilson stated there is a fee schedule for equipment but not for labor hours.

Sidewalk grant- James Heft- Architecture from Hunt Engineering spoke about the current sidewalk CDBG grant and the process to move forward. Need to determine which sidewalks will be selected and measurements need to be taken, Dave Wilson was asked to help take the measurements.

Liz Burgess-Grants Administrator for Bradford County Planning- Spoke about the figures of the grant amounts and said the sidewalk grant project is income based and what meets CDBG guidelines and that the council will need to discuss what sidewalk will be able to get completed with the grant funds. Liz stated that the 2026 CDBG grant is available and can be used as a phase 2 of the sidewalk grant project as well as covering a lot of other projects. Liz mentioned some resources for grants to help with pool project-PA Conservation District, Endless Mts. Heritage and Greenways Trails and Parks grants. Liz also stated that if there are projects that are needed or wanting to be done to contact her she can look and see if there are any grants out there for it. George asked what the trash pickup cost is and what it would be with a contract, Micah said right now it is \$4.00 per sticker and he would have to work out a number

based on the quantity of people in the Borough. Micah also stated there are grants available for fencing if that is needed.

Codes:

Mr. Jennings discussed that Nick is working with someone on the corner of Montague St & Second St.

Zoning:

Mr. Shultz states that the Zoning Hearing Board currently sits at 4 and there has been interest in filling a position by Brock Kitchen pending his paperwork.

Mrs. Watkins makes a motion to appoint Brock Kitchen to Zoning Hearing Board; Mr. Anderson seconds the motion. Roll Call: All said "Aye"

Also discussed is there will be a public Hearing on the request to amend the zoning map on June 22, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. here at the Borough Office Building. Property to be discussed is 151 Montague St.

Recreation:

Mr. Wilson gave an update on the basketball court- They are willing to put down a one-inch tack coat and give a 2-year warranty on their work. Mr. Wilson is asking council to accept that and have the solicitor send them a letter. Mr. Shultz said that the Solicitor will send them a letter.

Fire Department:

Mr. Jennings reports that the trucks are in good shape and running well and that there is a Board meeting at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Mr. Packard said there were 27 calls for May and that the new to us squad is in service and retrofitted for EMS and registered as a BLS squad. New Medical Director is Carly Moyer. Mr. Shultz mentioned the fair is coming up and Mr. Jennings said that the fair is June 24-27 and fireworks will be on Saturday.

Recycling NTSWA:

Micah Baker discussed that NTSWA currently pickups up curb side recycling in Canton Borough with no contract of fees to the borough but it has become quite expensive to do so and is looking to not continue to provide service without a contract. Mr. Baker stated that this is for residential curbside pickup and does not reflect commercial pickup to which will still be done. Discussion then proceeded to talk about recycling bins being put on Borough grounds somewhere and have someone there to monitor it certain days and hours as a possible resolution. George asked what the fee would be to have this picked up and Mr. Baker said that he can provide the pickup at no cost at this time. George asked what the trash pickup cost is right now and what it would be with a contract, Micah said right now it is \$4.00 per sticker and he would have to work out a number based on the quantity of people in the Borough. Micah also stated there are grants available for fencing if that is needed.

Mr. Baker stated he is looking at 2027 for the changes to be made.

Downtown Celebration:

Mr. Shultz said the day is July 11th. Mr. Wison asked who heads this, Mr. Shultz said the Chamber. Mr. Jennings said the Fire Dept. will have a ladder truck with a flag again this year and will be selling chicken quarters.

For The Good of the Order:

Next meeting is July 13th, 2026 at 6:00 pm at the John Mosser Canton Borough Building.

Mr. Packard said as the Mayor he got invited to the Grand Opening for the Oasis Center, opening day is June 12th, at noon the ribbon cutting.

Mr. Cole Introduced Jessica Shadduck as the new Sec/Treas

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm

Jessica Shadduck

Sec./Treas.

Minutes approved 07/13/2026

Michael Shultz
President

Deanna Watkins
Vice President